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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT NO. 14: SITUATION IN CYPRUS

AS OF 1B00 EDT, AUGUST 20

1. STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS: BRITAIN IS LEADING INITIATIVES TO GET INTERESTED PARTIES BACK TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS. THE UK, BACKED BY THE US, HAS MADE SOUNDINGS WITH THE GREEK GOVERNMENT, AS WELL AS WITH CYPRIOT LEADERS, ABOUT THE TERMS UNDER WHICH TALKS WITH TURKEY COULD PROCEED.

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2. ATHENS HAS REPORTEDLY ASSERTED THAT THE GREEK GOVERN-

MENT WILL NOT RETURN TO PEACE TALKS UNTIL TURKISH TROOPS IN CYPRUS RETURN TO THE "STABILIZATION LINES" OCCUPIED ON AUGUST 9 (THE LINES OF DEMARCATION WHICH WERE THE BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS BEFORE THE GENEVA TALKS COLLAPSED ON AUGUST 13).

3. ACCORDING TO THE TURKISH BAYRAK RADIO, TURKISH DEFENSE MINISTER OREK SAID THAT THE TURKISH CYPRIOT PROPOSAL FOR A SYSTEM COMPRISING TWO CANTONS WILL NEVER BE GIVEN UP. OTHER TURKISH OFFICIALS HAVE INDICATED THAT MEDIATION BY ALL FRIENDLY COUNTRIES IS WELCOMED BY ANKARA. UPON RETURNING FROM ANKARA TO NICOSIA, CYPRUS VICE-PRESIDENT DENKTASH REJECTED THE IDEA THAT THE TURKISH ARMY MUST WITHDRAW BEFORE TALKS BEGIN.

4. MILITARY SITUATION IN CYPRUS: OPERATION ATTLA (TURKISH MILITARY INTERVENTION IN CYPRUS) HAS APPARENTLY ENDED. THE CEASEFIRE IS HOLDING, WITH NO VIOLATIONS NOTED IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD.

5. ACCORDING TO THE US DEFENSE ATTACHES IN ANKARA AND NICOSIA, TURKISH FORCES HAVE SEIZED MORE REAL ESTATE THAN NEEDED FOR SECURITY PURPOSES OR PROTECTION OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOT MINORITY, IN ORDER TO BOLSTER THEIR BARGAINING POSITION WITH THE GREEKS. TURKISH CONTROL OF NORTHERN CYPRUS RANGES FROM THE SHORELINE WEST OF LEFKA, EAST THROUGH NICOSIA, SOUTHEAST TO THE SOVEREIGN BASE OF DHEKELIA AND EAST TO THE COAST SOUTH OF FAMAGUSTA. SINCE GREEK CYPRIOTS HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM THE AREA WEST OF LEFKA, THE TURKS COULD MOVE INTO A VACUUM IN THE NORTHWEST PORTION OF CYPRUS. THERE IS TURKISH MOVEMENT, BUT NO FIGHTING, ON THE KARPAS PENINSULA (NORTHEAST CYPRUS) THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THE TURKS CONTROL THE NICOSIA-LIMASSOL HIGHWAY, ALTHOUGH THEY DO HOLD THE NICOSIA-ATHIENOU ROAD LEADING SOUTH TO LARNACA.

6. CYPRUS: POLICE HAVE CONTINUED THEIR HUNT FOR THE KILLERS OF US AMBASSADOR DAVIES AND HAVE ARRESTED THREE MEN. CYPRUS PRESIDENT CLERIDES IS FOLLOWING THE INVESTIGATION PERSONALLY. THOUGH THE ISLAND APPEARS CALM,  
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BRITISH TROOPS ON CYPRUS HAVE GONE ON FULL ALERT AND EMBASSIES HAVE STEPPED UP SECURITY SINCE YESTERDAY'S ANTI-US DEMONSTRATION. ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS HAS ISSUED A STATEMENT IN LONDON DEPLORING THE MURDER OF DAVIES AND BLAMING EOKA-B TERRORISTS FOR INFILTRATING AN UNDERSTANDABLE "EXPRESSION OF DISSATISFACTION" WITH US POLICY TOWARD THE TURKISH INVASION OF CYPRUS.

7. OTHERWISE, TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADERS HAVE DISCLOSED INFORMATION ON ATROCITIES COMMITTED BY THEIR GREEK COMPATRIOTS AND PRESIDENT CLERIDES HAS NOTED OUTBREAKS OF EPIDEMICS AMONG REFUGEES. SECRETARY KISSINGER TODAY AUTHORIZED AN ADDITIONAL CASH GRANT OF \$500,000 TO BE USED BY THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS FOR AID TO CYPRUS. AMBASSADOR L. DEAN BROWN, THE SECRETARY'S PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE TO CYPRUS, HAS ARRIVED IN NICOSIA WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO ASSESS FURTHER NEEDS FOR ASSISTANCE.

8. TURKEY: TURKISH PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT PRAISED THE US AND USSR FOR THEIR HANDLING OF THE CYPRUS CRISIS BUT CRITICIZED THE UK. ECEVIT SAID THAT TURKEY PREFERS A SOLUTION WHICH WOULD LEAVE NO DOUBTS ON EITHER SIDE AND

WOULD PRECLUDE EITHER PARTITION OF THE ISLAND OR ENOSIS (UNION WITH GREECE). DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ERBAKAN STATED THAT A TURKISH CYPRIOT FEDERAL STATE WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN CYPRUS IF THERE IS AN EXTENDED DELAY IN RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS.

9. GREECE: THE US EMBASSY IN ATHENS REMAINED UNDER HEAVY GUARD BY ARMED POLICE FORCES DESPITE A RETURN TO APPARENT CALM AFTER A WEEK OF ANTI-US DEMONSTRATIONS. US AMBASSADOR TASCA HAS CONTINUED TO CONFER WITH PREMIER KARAMANLIS AND TO DELIVER PERSONAL MESSAGES FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER.

10. THE NEW MILITARY LEADERS ASSUMED THEIR DUTIES AFTER YESTERDAY'S MAJOR SHAKEUP. DIONYSSIOS ARBOUZIS HAS BEEN NAMED THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE HELLENIC ARMED FORCES. SUCH CHANGES REFLECT ENHANCED CIVILIAN CONTROL OF THE MILITARY IN GREECE. KISSINGER

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